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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director Intelligence Community Staff
Chairman, Intelligence Producers Council

FROM: [redacted]
Chief, Intelligence Producers Council Staff (IPCS)

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SUBJECT: IPC Staff Monthly Report - January 1988

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Summary

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1. During the month, the IPC Staff focused on the following projects and activities:

- IPC Meeting.
- The DCI's Production Enhancement Initiative (PEI) Program.
- Compendium on Future Intelligence Requirements (COFIR).
- Survey of National Intelligence Topics (NITs) Gaps.
- [redacted]
- Strategic Defense Initiative Study.
- Consumer Survey.
- Administrative. [redacted]

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IPC Meeting

2. The next Intelligence Producers Council (IPC) meeting is scheduled for 24 February 1988, at 1500 hours, in [redacted]

[redacted] The primary agenda item will be the review and approval of some eight Production Enhancement Initiatives (PEIs). In addition, [redacted] and a number of ongoing IPC projects and activities will be discussed. [redacted]

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Production Enhancement Initiative (PEI) Program

3. Following budget cuts, approximately [] has been appropriated for the FY-88 PEI program. At present, we are funding four ongoing projects at a cost of []. This will leave approximately [] for new initiatives in FY-88. []

4. During the month, peer review was completed on 32 of the 65 PEIs submitted to date. In order to facilitate the implementation of the FY-88 program, the staff is reviewing the 32 PEIs previously mentioned and, based upon the DCI's criteria, will identify the most promising ones for IPC consideration and funding. []

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Compendium of Future Intelligence Requirements (COFIR)

5. When DDCI Gates promulgated the COFIR, he noted that the baseline requirement statements in the COFIR should be used for the planning of future collection, processing, analysis, and dissemination systems, and that the IPC should conduct yearly reviews of these requirements. Moreover, the DDCI directed that a zero-base review of the COFIR requirements be conducted every five years. []

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6. In order to set this process in motion, the COFIR working group met on 15 January 1988. In addition to the regular production community participants, representatives from the respective collection committees were also invited, and in attendance. The working group concluded that the annual review of the COFIR requirements would be initiated upon the anniversary of the COFIR--September 1988; however, since the requirements process is dynamic, any future requirements needing immediate attention would be incorporated as appropriate. []

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7. In addition, the Working Group concluded that the COFIR's interim weighting methodology should be reviewed and that a COFIR weighting methodology applicable to all collection disciplines should be considered. The Working Group will convene in the near future to examine various weighting methodologies. []

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Survey of National Intelligence Topics (NITs) Gaps

8. We have begun assembling data from analysts in CIA, DIA, and State, who have responded to our annual survey, to identify the gaps in information relative to the NITs. Once this is complete, we will have a basis for reporting information shortfalls by discipline to the collection committees and for providing inputs to the DCI budget guidance. We will also be able to highlight information gaps for the National Intelligence Officers and compare progress (or the lack thereof) in redressing gaps that were identified in our survey last year. []

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9. To enhance the value of our collection and identification of intelligence gaps relative to the NITs, we have continued discussions with managers from CIA's Office of Information Technology (OIT) to have one of their programmers do an architecture study for a computer system that would store gaps from the NITs (and from other sources as well) and link those gaps with the Compendium of Future Intelligence Requirements (COFIR) etc. In this way, we could establish priorities in existing gaps or show listings of gaps by country or topic. A programmer may be available to us by the end of February to initiate this effort. [redacted]

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Strategic Defense Initiative (SDI) Study

11. A new draft of this study has been completed, and through meetings and telephone conversations, we have produced a study that more accurately accommodates the sensitivities and equities of the appropriate players throughout the Intelligence Community. After we receive updated listings of SDI-related research from member organizations of the Community, we will have a package ready for IPC review and approval. [redacted]

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Consumer Survey

12. On 29 January, we held our first general meeting of the working group that will conduct the Intelligence Consumers Survey of the Reagan Administration. [redacted] of the IPC Staff, is chairing this effort, and we have invited all elements of the Intelligence Producers Council to be active participants. [redacted]

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13. Our first concern was to reach agreement on purpose and then to start identifying the individuals we will want to survey. That list should begin to take shape by the time we meet again on 19 February. [redacted]

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14. DIA has concluded its selection process for identifying a DIA officer to serve on the IPC Staff. We look forward to the new DIA Staff Officer joining us in the next few weeks. [redacted]

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15. A position description (PD) for a part-time staff Intelligence Assistant/ADP Specialist has been completed and presented to CIA/DDI personnel for review and evaluation. Subsequently, DDI personnel will recruit an individual to fill the staff position. [redacted]

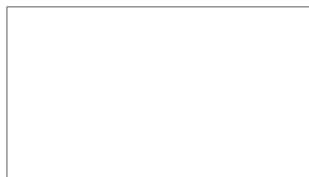
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16. The CIA Career Training Program has assigned a Career Trainee (CT) to the Staff in order to acquire a broad overview of the Community's intelligence production process before he assumes his permanent assignment. The CT tour on the staff will be from 29 February 1988 to 6 May 1988. For this period he will work on a variety of IPC projects and activities. [REDACTED]

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